

Concluding Remarks: Dark Matter Eric Charles (SLAC National Accelerator Lab.)

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Outline

- Introduction
 - Theme: communication between communities
- A high level tour of science topics with various personal biases and a few random asides



Theme: Communicating between Communities

- This conference brings together people for multiple communities:
 - Accelerator-based dark matter detection
 - Direct dark matter detection
 - High-Energy Astronomy / Astrophysics
 - Cosmology
 - Neutrinos
 - Particle Theory / phenomenology
 - Black holes & gravitation
- We all had to take a step back and focus on things that will be of interest to people outside our specific communities
 - I hope this talk follows in that spirit, i.e., I'm not going to be saying a lot about nano-Bq / kg, pseudo-rapidity cuts, or γ-ray telescope instrument response functions



Topics Covered

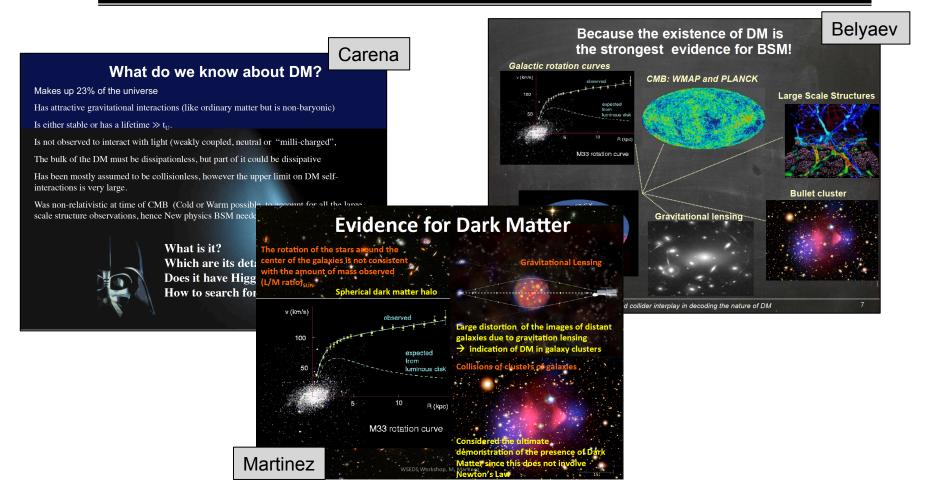
- Dark matter theory
- Searches
 - Accelerator Based Searches
 - Direct detection
 - Indirect detection
- Cosmology & Astrophysical Dark Matter



THEORY



What do we know about dark matter



There is overwhelming evidence that 1) dark matter exists, and 2) it is not made of baryons.

Beyond that, we don't know much about the particle nature of dark matter



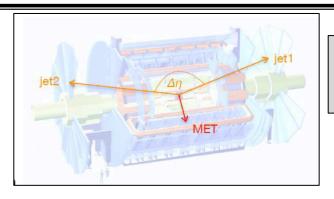
Direct, Indirect, Accelerator-based DM Searches

Direct Detection



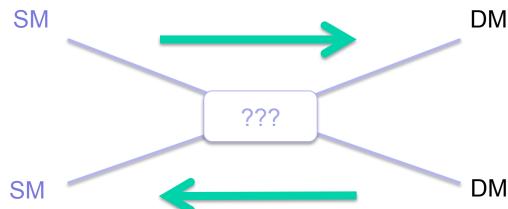
Belayaev, D'Angelo, Messina Gerbier, Kouvaris, Chevalier

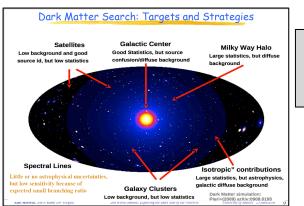
Key point: if you have a theory of the particle interactions you can predict the rates for all of these processes, and translate results between communities.



Martinez, Gomez-Ceballos, Dorigo, Royon, Wei, Kitali, Williams

Collider Searches



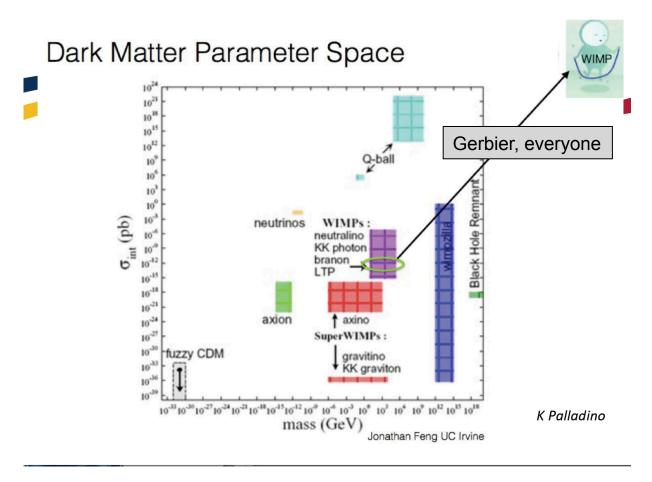


Morselli, Vincent, Humensky, Charles, Gormez-Vargas, Aguilar

Indirect detection



Dark Matter Parameter space: lamppost physics



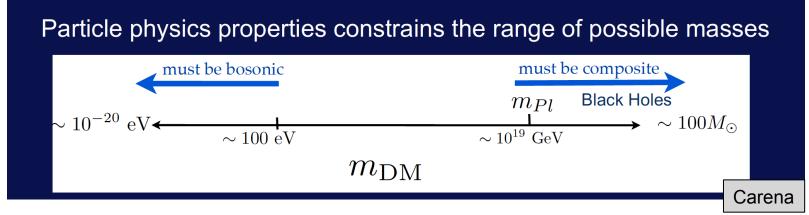
This figure showed up in several talks. Interestingly, it was typically followed by an explanation of why the speaker was going to focus on WIMPs (or in a few cases, axions or primordial black holes).

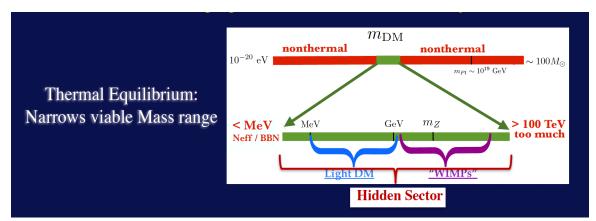
Kouvaris, Chevalier, Williams

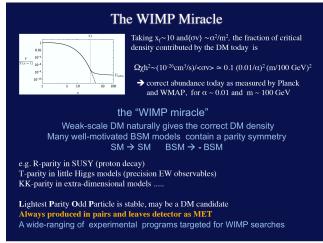
Garcia-Bellido, Vidotto



What types of theories are we looking at?



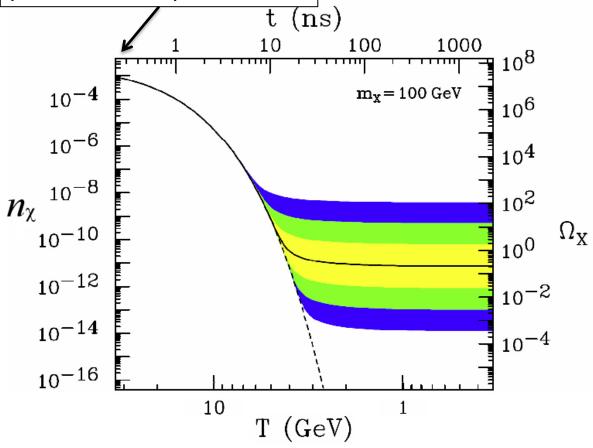




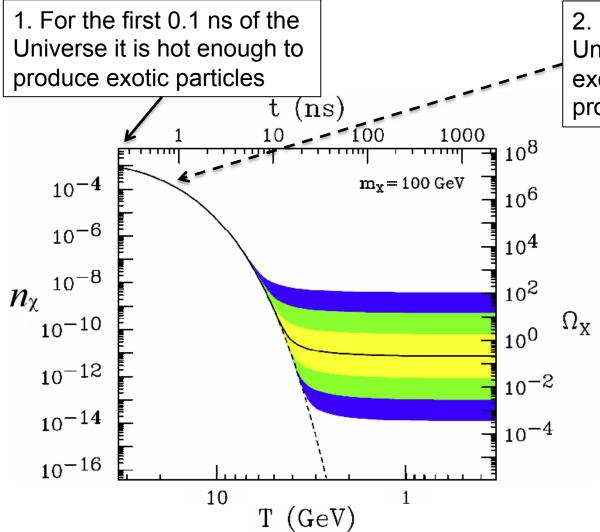
"Good news: Most discoverable DM candidates are in Thermal equilibrium with us in the early universe" – Marcela Carena



1. For the first 0.1 ns of the Universe it is hot enough to produce exotic particles.

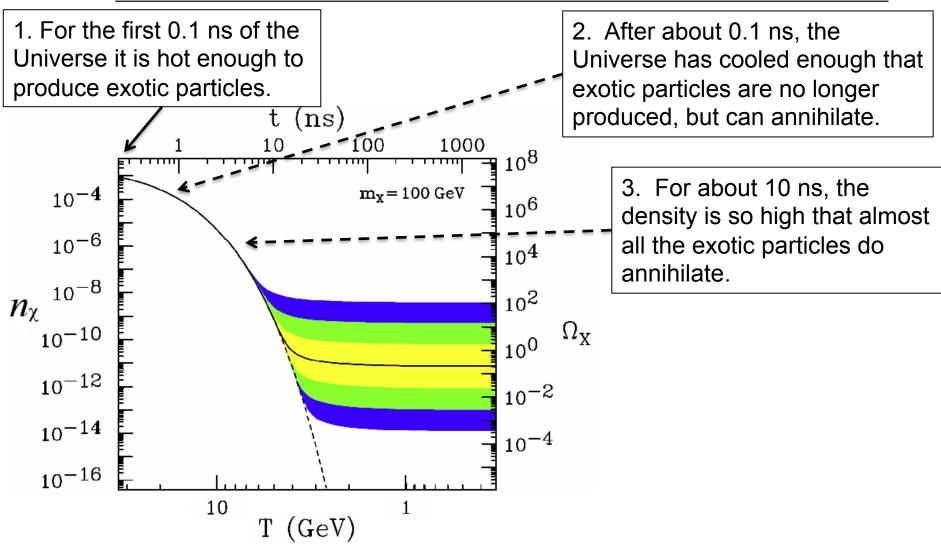




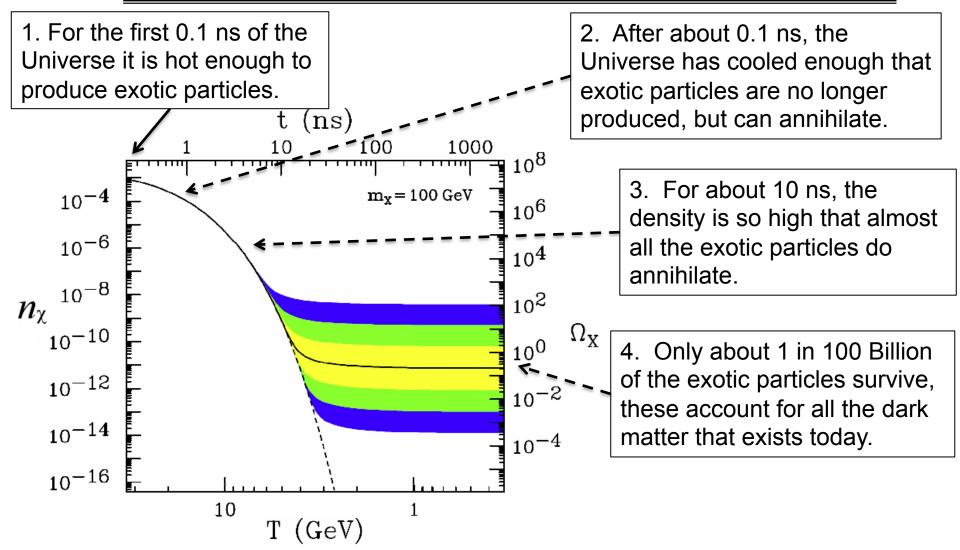


2. After about 0.1 ns, the Universe has cooled enough that exotic particles are no longer produced, but can annihilate.

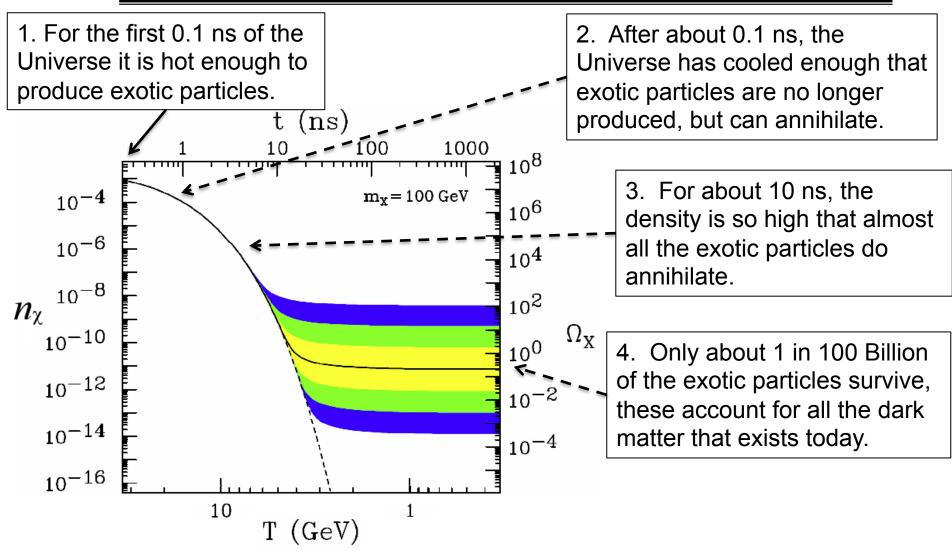








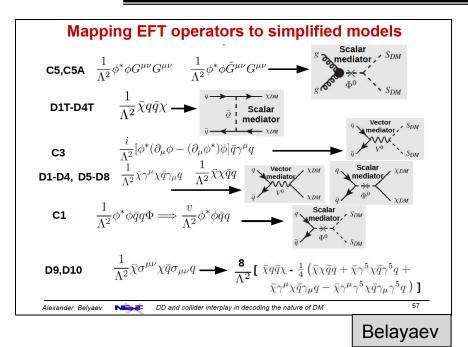


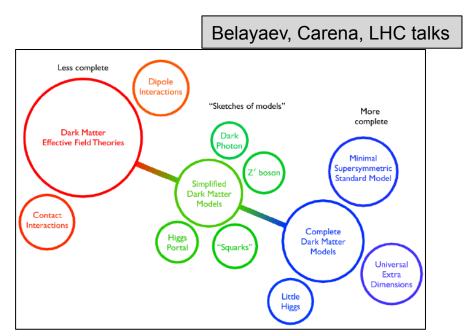


5. The surviving fraction depends critically on the annihilation cross section (i.e., probability): small differences would yield very different dark matter densities today.



DM Theory Space is Vast and Diverse





Key point: theory space is huge, some amount of simplification & organization is needed to approach the problem in a sensible fashion



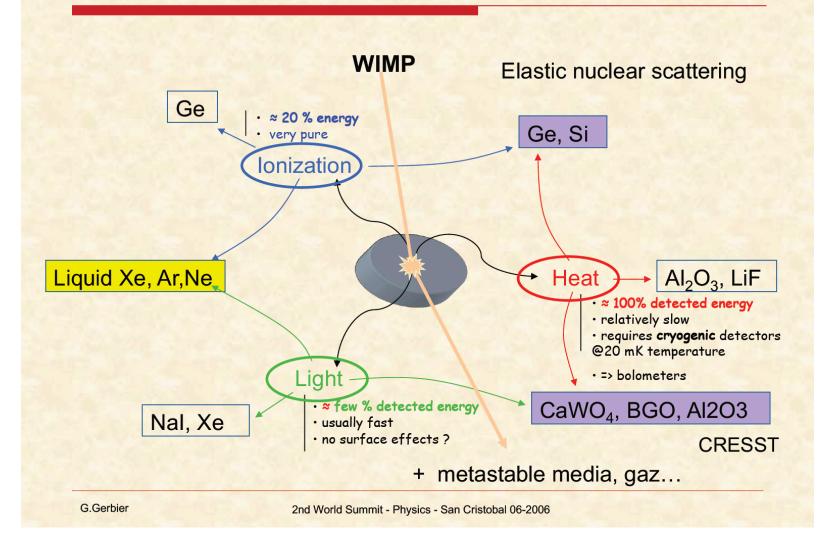
DIRECT DETECTION



Direct Detection Techniques

Gebier, Belayaev

Direct detection techniques

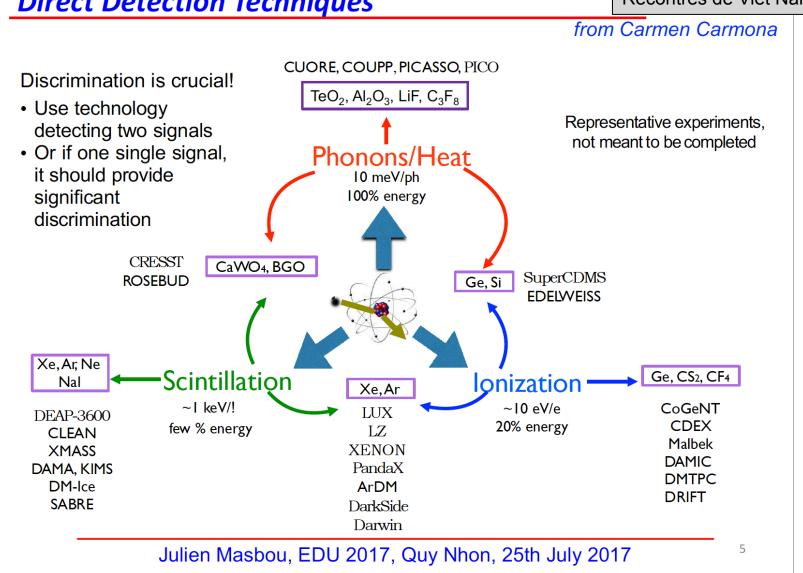




DM Scattering Produces Heat, Light & Ions

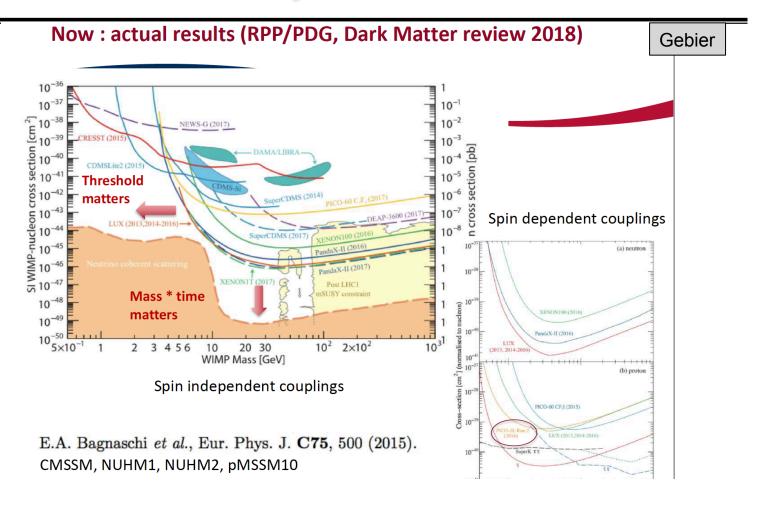
Direct Detection Techniques

Masbou, EDU 2017 Recontres de Viet Nam





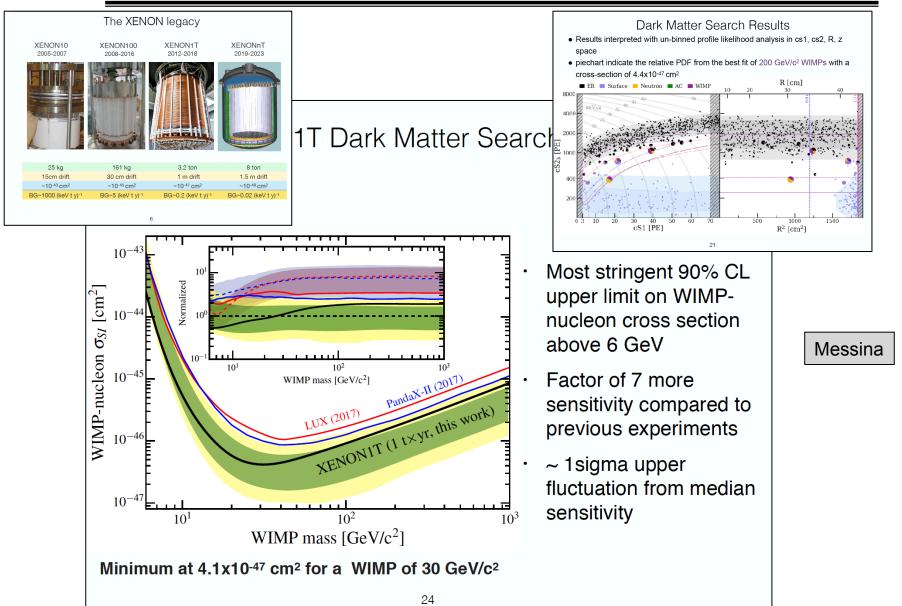
One slide summary of Direct Detection Status



Direct detection of WIMPs: > 10 GeV focus is on making larger volumes with low backgrounds, < few GeV focus is on lowering effective thresold Also, cottage industry in understanding the DAMA/Libra results

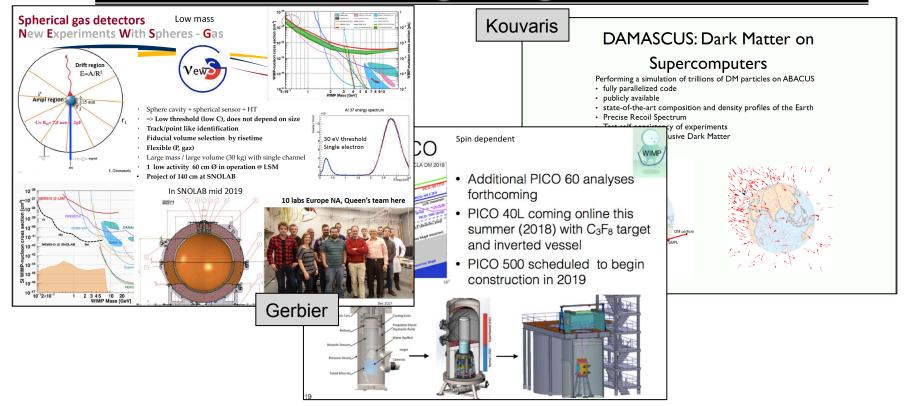


High-mass DM, Xenon 1T Results





Low mass WIMPs, pushing down the threshold, reducing background



Many developments in searching for low mass WIMPs:

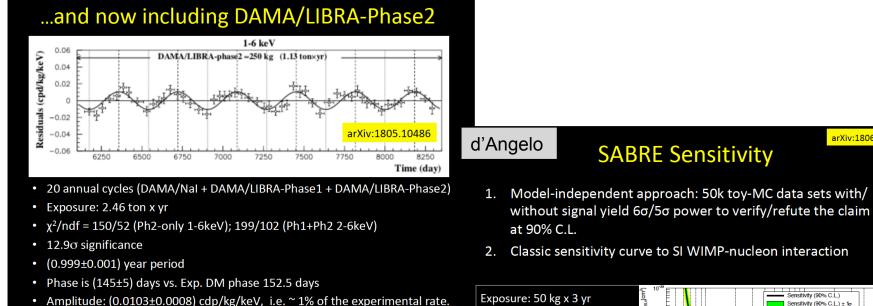
- New target materials
- Using modulation signals to reduce noise
- **Directional direction**

arXiv:1806.09340

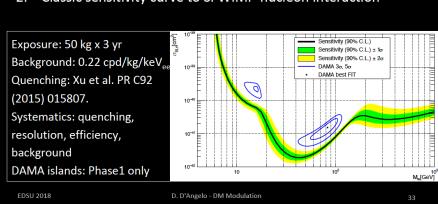


EDSU 2018

Reproducing the DAMA / LIBRA results



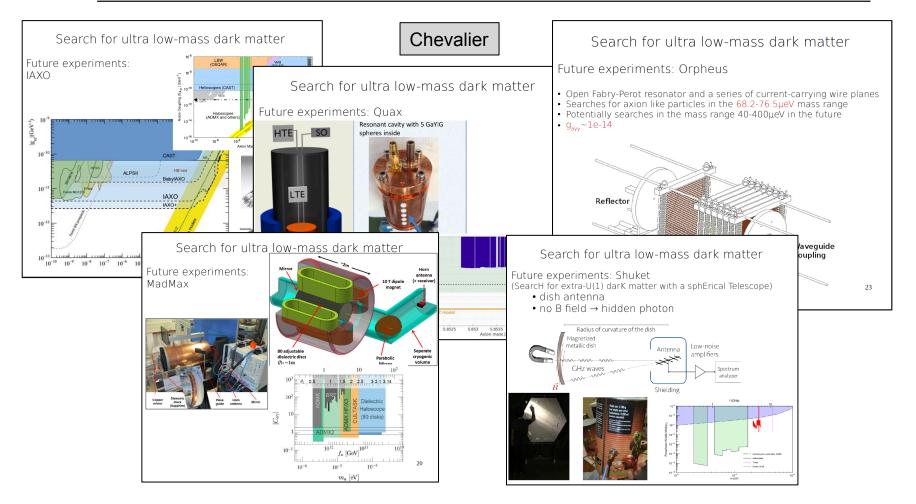
D. D'Angelo - DM Modulation



Several experiments coming online to attempt to reproduce DAMA / Libra result as closely as possible. Approaching required sensitivity.



Direct Detection of Axions / Ultra Light Dark Matter



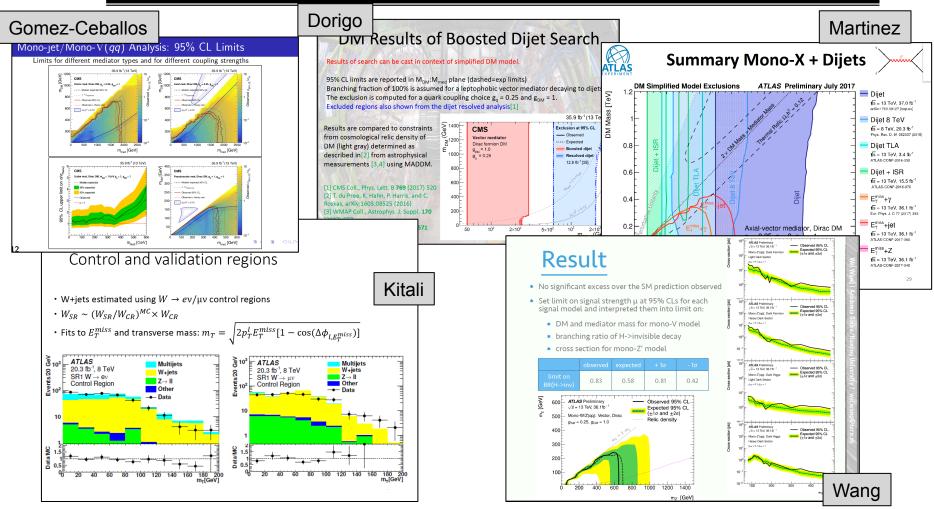
Several experiments coming online to look for ultra low mass DM Key point: ultra low-mass DM is bosonic, and acts more as a field than as particle. Look for SM particle coupling to field.



ACCELERATOR SEARCHES



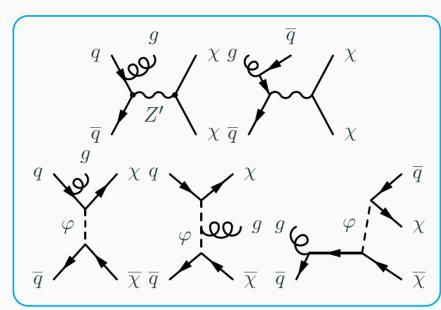
Searches for DM Candidates at the LHC



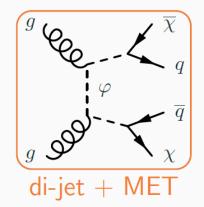
- Several talks about searches for different topological signatures at the LHC
- As an outsider, biggest questions are: how they all tie together, and what are the implications for WIMPs as DM

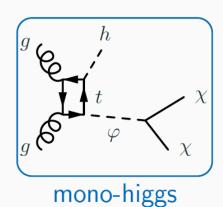


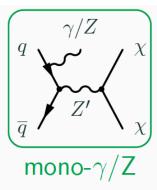
Event topologies

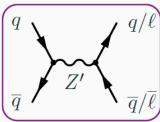


mono-jet

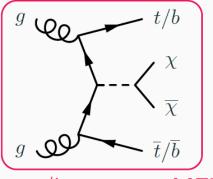








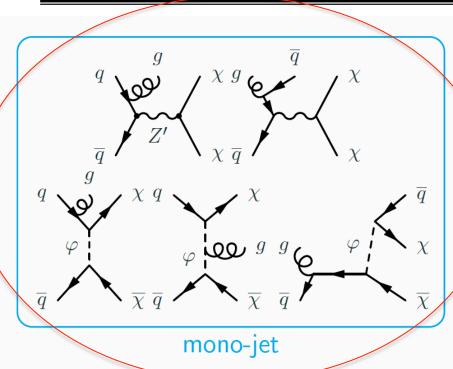
resonant searches: di-jet, di-leptons...

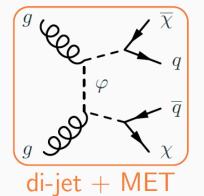


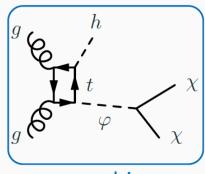
di-top/bottom + MET



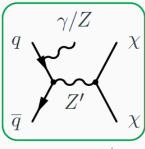
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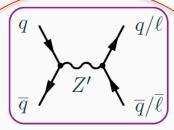




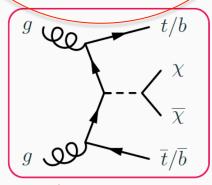
mono-higgs



mono- γ/Z



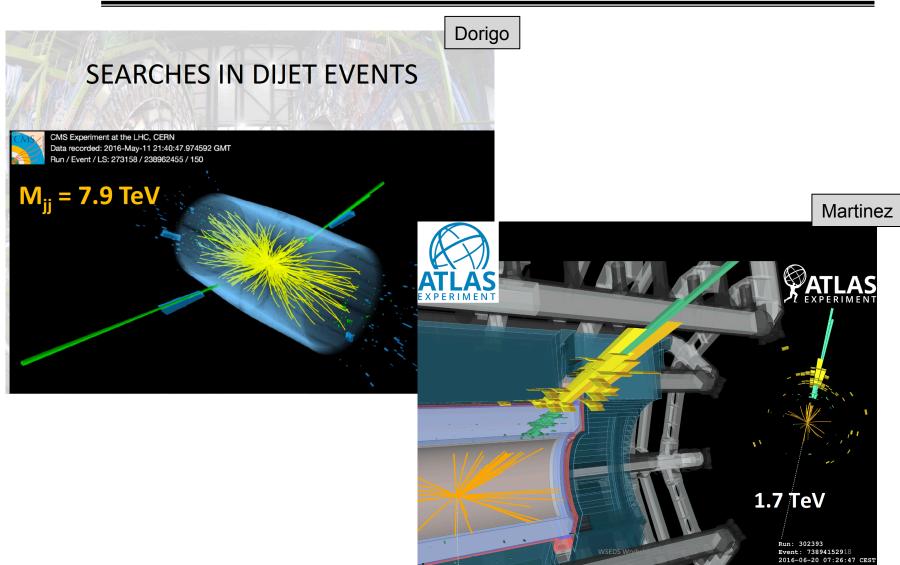
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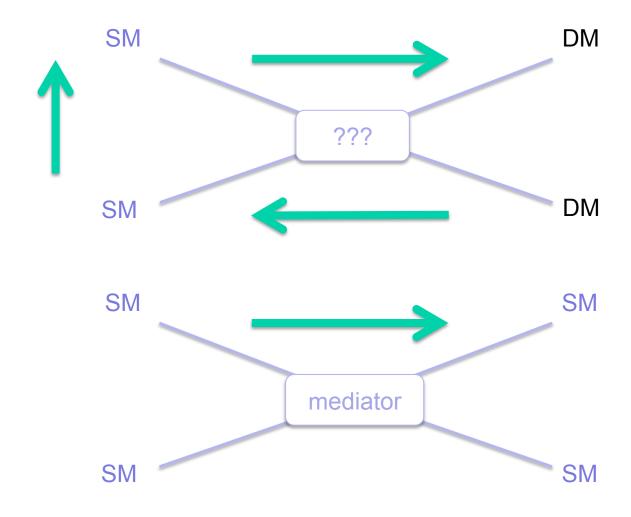


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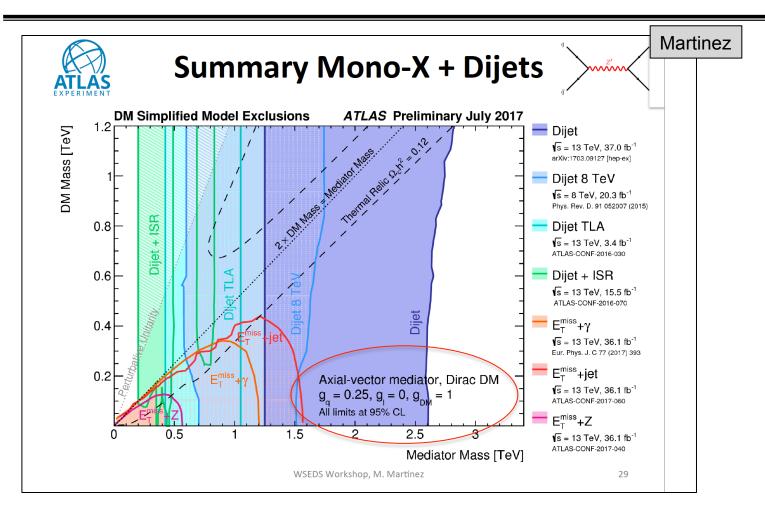
What's missing in the complementarity diagram



• Important point: for many models, the strongest constraint on thermal DM comes from searches for the mediator, i.e., di-jet searches.



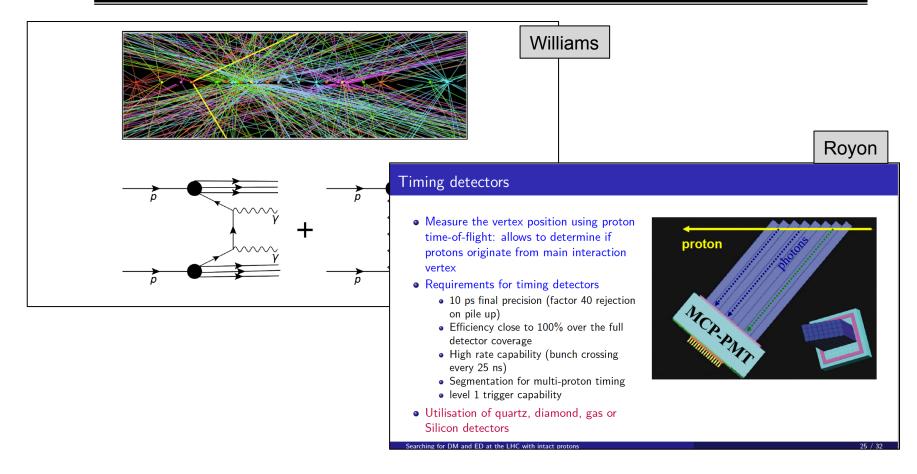
DM Implications of LHC Searches



- Mono-jet search (red) looks for missing transverse energy from DM particle but is limited by high missing energy cut need to reduce background
- Di-jet search (blue) looks for DM mediator particle producing pairs of SM particles and can reach higher energies



Non-WIMP Accelerator Searches



Searching for anomalies in the proton scattering near the LHC beamline caused by new operators.

Technical challenge, reducing the beam backgrounds, requires amazing time resolution (~10 ps)



INDIRECT DETECTION

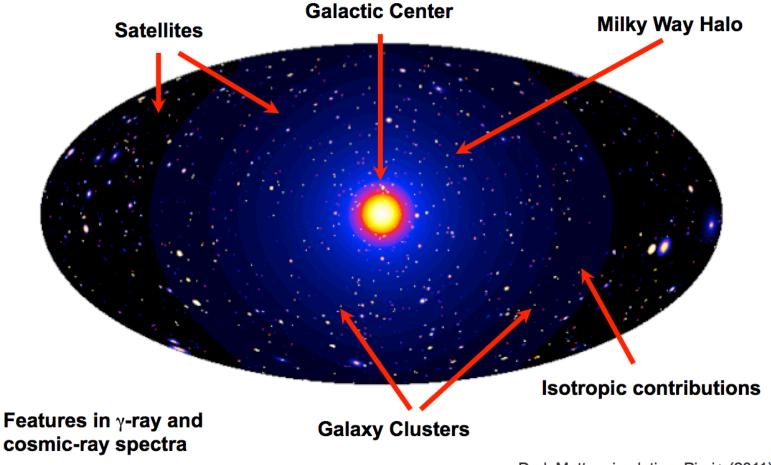


What signal would DM annihilation to γ-rays make?



Dark Matter as Seen From Earth

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Summary of Indirect Detection Searchs

DM limit improvement estimate in 15 years (2008- 2022)

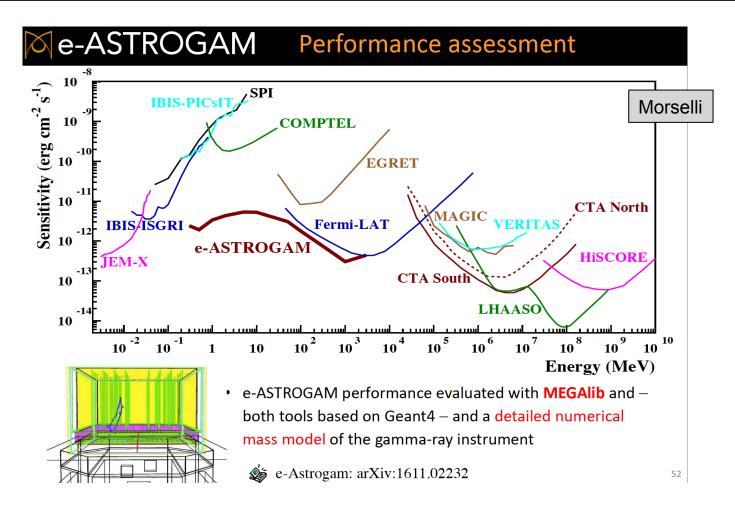
Gomez-Vargas (ta Main target for CTA-South: Galactic Center

Strongest 15 dSphs, 6 Years concentration of 15 dSphs, 15 Years 10^{-24} neighbourhood. 45 dSphs, 15 Years Many other sources of VHE gamma rays: Pass 8 Combined dSphs (15 dSphs, 6 Years) Supernova H.E.S.S. GC Halo Pulsars. Cosmic rays hitting Abazajian et al. 2014 (1σ) molecular clouds. Gordon & Macias 2013 (2σ) 10^{-25} Need good models to Daylan et al. 2014 (2σ) disentangle $(\cos^3 \sin^2 \cos^{-1})$ Calore et al. 2015 (2σ) ermal Relic Cross Section (Steigman+ 2012) CTA GC Halo 500 h 10^{-27} Fermi 15 Years, 45 dwarfs $b\bar{b}$ 10^{2} 10^{1} 10^{3} 10^{4} Morselli DM Mass (GeV/c^2) See talk by Eric Charles

Together Fermi and CTA will probe most of the space of WIMP models with thermal relic annihilation cross section



The unexplored MeV energy band



Great science case for MeV mission, current designs are 100x more sensitive than COMPTEL.

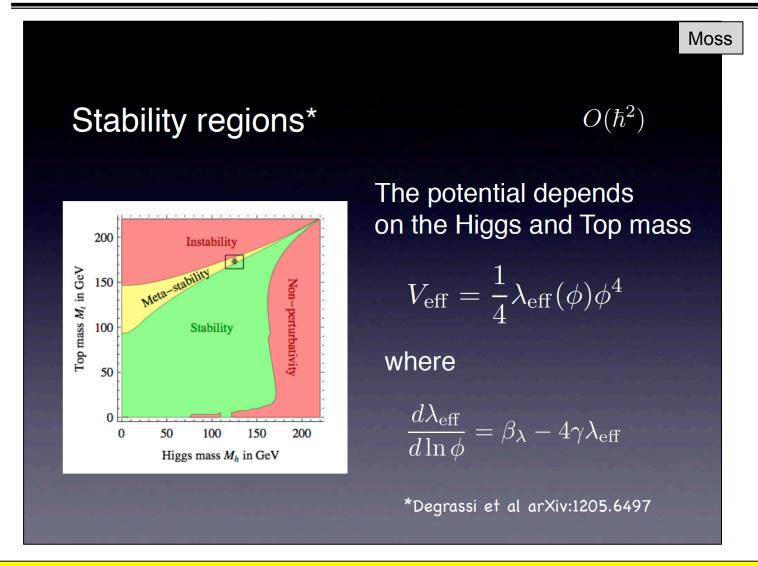
Such missions would be sensitive to low-mass WIMPs



COSMOLOGY & ASTROPHYSICAL DARK MATTER



Inferred DM constraints



"There is observational evidence that the false vacuum has not decayed by seeded nucleation" -> no PBHs below 10¹⁵g



Recent "excesses/anomalies"

Vincent

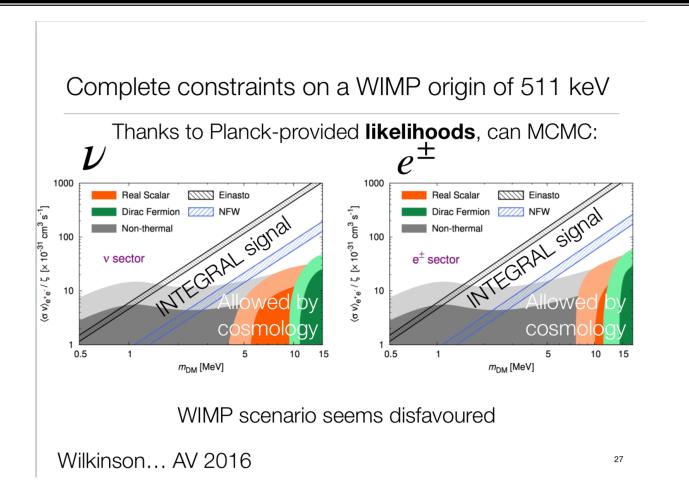
3.5 keV line
21 cm (EDGES)
AMS-02 antiprotons
PAMELA/AMS positron
Galactic centre GeV excess
Solar composition problem
White dwarf cooling anomaly



need strong
corroboration
because
astrophysics is
not a controlled
setting:
backgrounds
are difficult to
model

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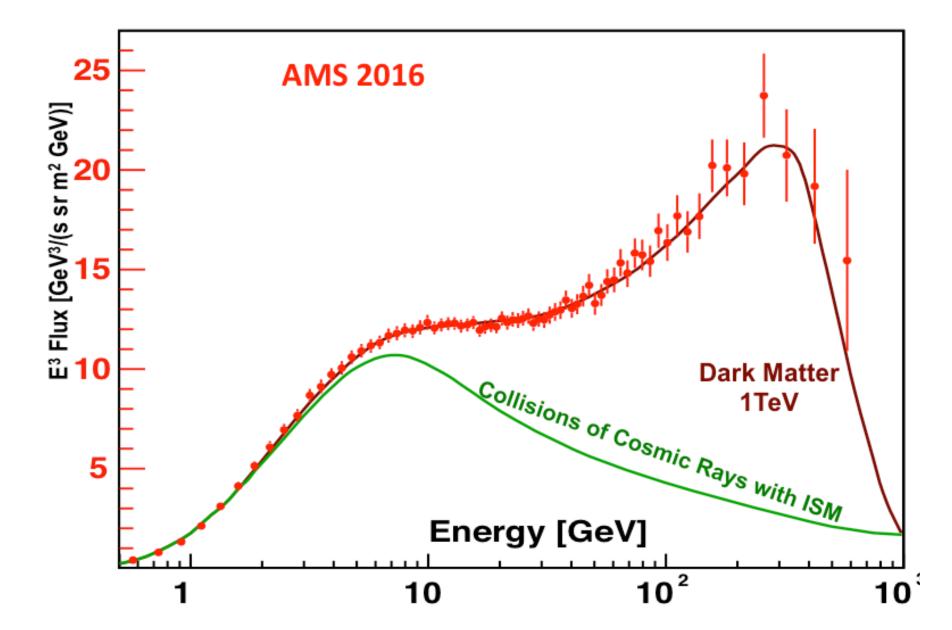




Key point here: this analysis is testing DM interpretation of Integral 511 keV data by comparing results to the non-observation of DM annihilation products ionizing the CMB.

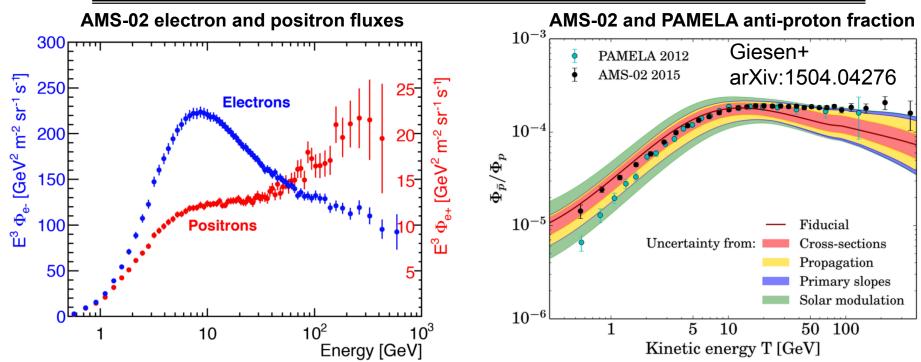


From questions and discussions: what about cosmic rays?





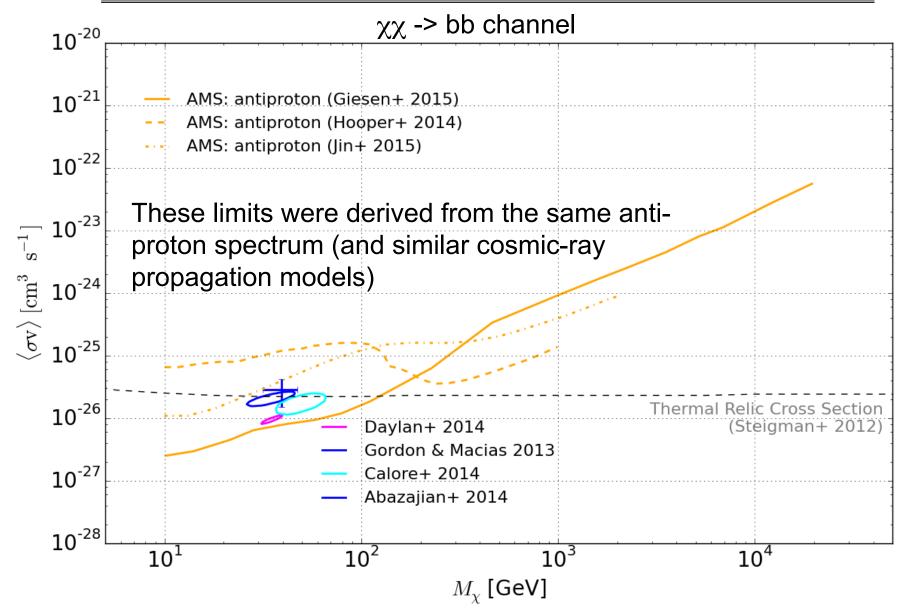
DM Limits from Cosmic-Ray Spectra



Extracting constraints on DM cross section from anti-particle fluxes
requires detailed modeling of source populations, cosmic-ray propagation
and other astrophysical effects (see sources of uncertainty on right
figure).



Published Limits from Anti-Proton Spectra





The Good News

- No convincing (or even particularly compelling) DM signals in any searches: be they direct, indirect or accelerator-based
 - Some things that have been interpreted as signals are now strongly disfavored by other measurements (e.g., DAMA/LIBRA) or face strong competing hypotheses (e.g., positron fraction, Galactic center GeV excess)
- This is a great application of the scientific method: we are finding ways
 of testing (and falsifying) hypotheses & developing new hypotheses
- Dark matter is more interesting that a simple ~100 GeV thermal relic WIMP



The Even Better News

- Many impressive efforts are underway:
 - to understand what the astrophysical data are telling us about the nature of dark matter
 - to continue to test the dominant WIMP paradigm by building more sensitive experiments and better understanding backgrounds
 - to develop ways to test other types of DM candidates
- This is a great application of the scientific method: we are finding ways
 of testing (and falsifying) hypotheses & developing new hypotheses
- We know that dark matter exists, perhaps we might be very lucky the discover that its particle nature is more interesting than, say, a ~100 GeV thermal relic WIMP from one of the simpler SUSY models



QUESTION: WHAT IF NATURE IS UNKIND AND DARK MATTER INTERACTIONS ARE NOT EASILY DETECTABLE?

OR

WHAT ELSE CAN WE LEARN ABOUT DM FROM ASTROPHYSICS?

Understanding the Astrophysical Nature of DM

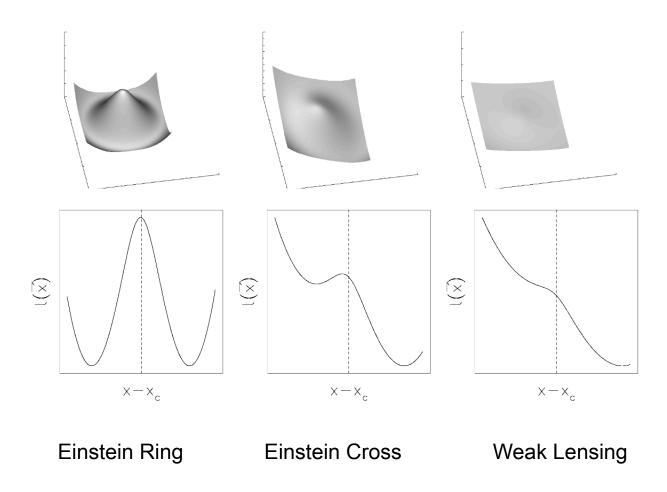
https://lsstdarkmatter.github.io/

cold dark matter warm dark matter How can we distinguish between these? Lovell+ (2012) WDM CDM

- Wide-area surveys (DES, Pan-STARRS, Gaia, LSST) identify and characterize DM-dominated structures
- Modern numerical simulations improve our understanding of the dependence on cosmology, DM particle properties, "baryonic" effects in structure formation

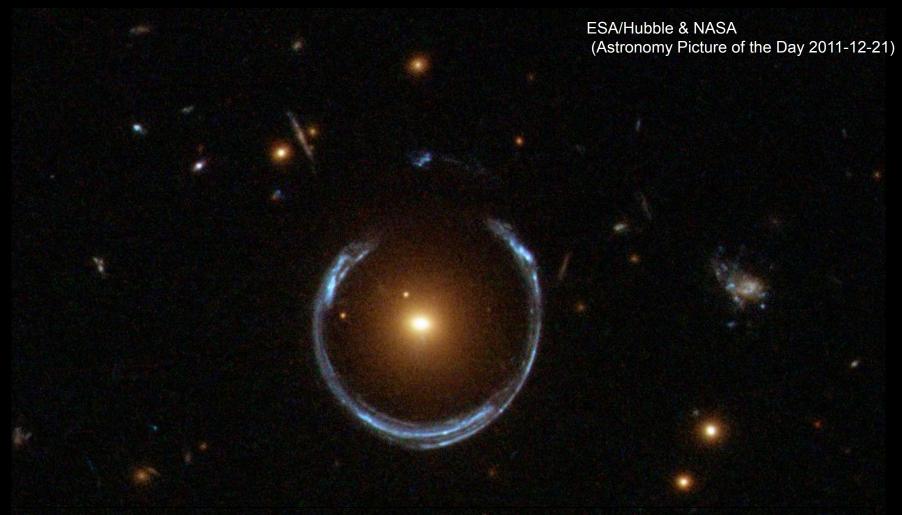


Aside: Strong Lensing



Light will appear for lines of sight where the gradient of the travel time is small: This includes minima, maxima and saddle points.

Aside: Gravitational Lensing



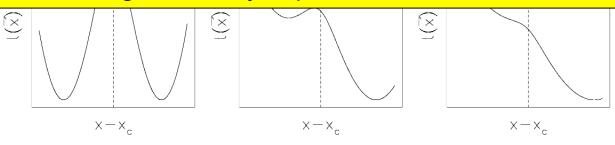
Gravitational time dilation means that light from lensed galaxy (behind) reaches us more quickly by travelling around the lensing galaxy (in front).



Aside: Strong Lensing



Key point for us: a strong lens creates a number of directions where the light travel time surface is flat: our sensitivity to lensing from sub-halos along these lines of sight is vastly improved



Einstein Ring

Einstein Cross

Weak Lensing

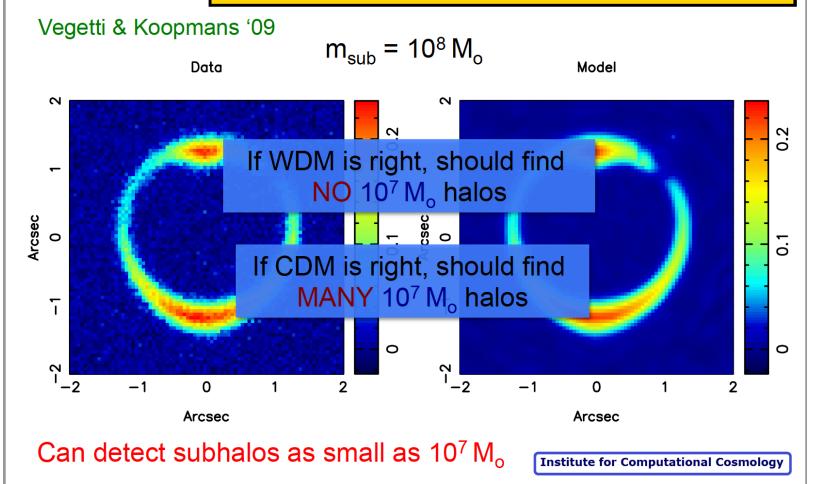
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Measuring Strong Lensing Substructure Will Resolve CDM v. WDM



Detecting substructures with strong lensing





Other upcoming inputs from astrophysics

- Gaia is measuring proper motion and peculiar velocities of the stars in our galaxy and tracing out the Galactic gravitational potential
- Large scale surveys (DES, Pan-STARRS...) are finding new dwarfs and comparing properties to numerical simulations
- Gravity wave experiments are teaching us about the BH mass function and merger rate
- Neutrino astronomy is pushing observable horizon for high-energy events
- Cluster mergers / kinematics are teaching us about dark matter selfinteraction rate
- Cosmology is pinning down the process of structure formation



Thank You

